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The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MULVANEY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker.

WASHINGTON, DC,

August 19, 2011.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICK MULVANEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Bill Kirlin-Hackett, Interfaith Task Force on Homelessness, Bellevue, Washington, offered the following prayer:

Holy and gracious God, before You we humbly serve. We seek what is best and what makes for compassionate and reasoned leadership.

We are blessed with the gift of differences that together, and that in unity, make us whole. Enable us to reconcile differences when at times such gifts separate us. Guide us toward the reconciliation that produces effective decisions, that builds engaged citizens, and that makes of us good neighbors to others less fortunate.

These times call for our listening to each other with our minds and hearts, as one neighbor seeks what is best for another. You have shown us, O God, what is good; that is, to love justice, to seek kindness, and to walk humbly with Your strength made manifest among, between, and within us.

May God thus be seen, may we thus be led, may we thus be known.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5 of House Resolution

375, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4 of House Resolution 375, legislative business is not dispensed with on this day.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE DUNCAN HUNTER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable DUNCAN HUNTER, Member of Congress:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, August 18, 2011.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,

Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a subpoena for production of business records, issued by the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is inconsistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

DUNCAN D. HUNTER,

Member of Congress.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, August 18, 2011.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER,

The Speaker, The Capitol, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in clause 2(h) of rule II of the rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on August 18, 2011, at 10:46 a.m., and said to contain a message from the President whereby he notifies the Congress that he has issued an Executive Order that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency with the Government of Syria first declared in E.O. 13338 of May 11, 2004, as expanded in scope in E.O. 13572 of April 29, 2011.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk of the House.

BLOCKING PROPERTY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SYRIA AND PROHIBITING CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO SYRIA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 112-50)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (IEEPA) and in light of the Syria Accountability and Lebanese Sovereignty Restoration Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-175) (SAA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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